## YOUTH SPORTS PARENT'S CODE OF CONDUCT

## CITY OF CLAYTON

- 1. I will remember that children participate to have fun and that the game is for youths, not adults.
- 2. I will learn the rules of the game and the policies of the league.
- 3. I (and my guests) will be a positive role model for my child and encourage sportsmanship by showing respect and courtesy, and by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, officials and spectators at every game, practice or other sporting event.
- 4. I (and my guests) will not engage in any kind of unsportsmanlike conduct with any official, coach, player, or parents such as booing and taunting; refusing to shake hands; or using profane language or gestures.
- 5. I will demand my child treat other players, coaches, officials and spectators with respect.
- 6. I will teach my child that doing one's best is more important than winning, so that my child will never feel defeated by the outcome of a game.
- 7. I will praise my child for competing fairly and trying hard.
- 8. I will never ridicule or yell at my child or other participant for making a mistake or losing a competition.
- 9. I will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire I may have for my child to win.
- 10. I will respect the officials and their authority during games and will never question, discuss, or confront coaches at the game field, and will take time to speak with coaches at an agreed upon time and place.
- 11. I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free from drugs, tobacco and alcohol.
- 12. I will refrain from coaching my child or other players during games and practices, unless I am one of the official coaches of the team.